

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. - 32. (Canceled)

33. (New) A world timepiece comprising a mechanical transmission system and a turning ring for adjusting a time display by actuating the mechanical transmission system,

wherein the mechanical transmission system includes a gear rim fastened on the bottom side of the turning ring, and a wheel train, which can be engaged and disengaged from outside a housing of the world timepiece, that interacts between the turning ring and an hour hand provided for the time display, and

further wherein,

the gear rim drives a drive wheel connected by a shaft to a clutch wheel,

the turning ring can be turned both clockwise and counterclockwise,

the time display is moved by the turning ring upon adjustment,

the turning ring can be activated or deactivated via a locking device, and

the timepiece is watertight.

34. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein the drive wheel drives at least one minute wheel, which moves at least one time display wheel and is determined by the number of teeth on a star rim.

35. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein the locking device comprises a lever which can be opened/closed and/or lock/unlock the turning ring and/or engage/disengage the transmission mechanism.

36. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein an engagement/disengagement mechanism with a clutch rocker is provided.

37. (New) The timepiece of claim 36, wherein the shape and dimensions of the lever and of the clutch rocker are chosen such that the locking of the turning ring is only released once engagement has taken place and disengagement only occurs once the turning ring is locked.

38. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein a push-piece with a rounded portion for preventing turning and a boss for engaging in the gear rim is provided for locking the turning ring.

39. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein the turning ring can be latch-locked at twenty-four positions in accordance with time zones.

40. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein the display of the time at a desired locality denoted on the turning ring can be set by setting the locality denoted on the turning ring to the 12 o'clock position.

41. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein the turning ring has an exchangeable turning ring insert.

42. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein an additional wheel coupled to a date display is provided, so that, when a 24h-threshold is breached, the date is automatically advanced or put back by a turning of the turning ring.

43. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein the wheel train can be actuated with the turning ring for setting an alarm function or for setting minutes and hours or for winding a mechanical movement or a chronograph function.

44. (New) The timepiece of claim 33, wherein, for the time display, a 12-hour hand and/or a 24-hour hand and/or a daytime disk having at least two daytimes and/or a minute hand and/or a 12-hour disk and/or a 24-hour disk is provided.

45. (New) The timepiece of any of claims 33, 34, 35 and 44, wherein the time is also displayed in a half-hour cycle and the number of teeth on each transmission wheel is adapted appropriately.